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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR EG US MASS

SUBJECT: EXPORT LICENSE FOR COLLINS RADIO

REF A. CAIRO 9990; B. STATE 240722

1. HAVE TODAY RECEIVED COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM FROM MCKELLAR OF COLLINS RADIO, WHO IS CURRENTLY IN LONDON, RECALLING EARLIER MEETING WITH EMBOFFS (REF A) RE EXPORT LICENSING OF CERTAIN AVIONIC EQUIPMENT FOR INSTALLATION IN EGYPTIAN AF ANTONOV-12 AIRCRAFT. ALLEGEDLY AIRCRAFT ARE TO ACCOMPANY SADAT'S AIRCRAFT ON HIS VISIT TO THE US. MCKELLAR NOTES NO POSITIVE RESULTS YET RECEIVED AND REQUESTS THIS EMBASSY URGENTLY RECOMMEND TO DEPT THAT NECESSARY EXPORT LICENSE BE ISSUED. HE BELIEVES FAILURE TO DO SO COULD PREVENT FUTURE SALES TO EGYPTIAN AIR FORCE BY US MANUFACTURERS AND REESTABLISH FOREIGN COMPETITION.

2. SHORTLY AFTER REF A SENT, MCKELLAR TELEPHONED EMBASSY TO INFORM EXPORT LICENSE HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR CERTAIN ITEMS -- SPECIFICALLY; NAVIGATION SYSTEM, DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT, NAVIGATIONAL CONTROLLERS AND ADDITIONAL DME INDICATORS.

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3. SUBSEQUENTLY, AIRA CONVEYED TO COLLINS REP

DEPT SUGGESTION THAT IT TRY TO GET  
SHORT TERM EXTENSION TO CONTRACT. THERE WAS NO  
REACTION.

4. ON OCTOBER 14, ANOTHER COLLINS REP CALLED TO  
DISCUSS THE PROJECT. NOTING THAT THE EQUIPMENT  
FOR WHICH EXPORT LICENSES ARE BEING SOUGHT WAS  
SUBMITTED OR ACTED UPON -- HE WAS NOT SURE  
WHICH -- IN TWO LISTS, HE EXPRESSED PUZZLEMENT  
ABOUT THE LOGIC BEHIND WHAT HAS AND HAS NOT BEEN  
APPROVED. STILL UNAPPROVED ARE COMPASS SYSTEM,  
AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM, COURSE INDICATORS  
AND RADIO MAGNETIC INDICATORS. EGYPTIANS ARE  
PRESSING COLLINS TO PROCEED WITH WIRING WHILE  
AWAITING APPROVAL, BUT COLLINS DOES NOT INTEND  
TO RESPOND. IT HAS, HOWEVER, ASSEMBLED TWO SETS  
OF WIRING HARNESS, BUT HAS NOT DELIVERED THEM.

5. COMMENT: WE HAVE NOT BEEN APPROACHED DIRECTLY  
BY EGYPTIANS ON THIS MATTER, BUT HAVE NO REASON  
TO DISBELIEVE COLLINS' ACCOUNT. SINCE SOME ITEMS  
ON LIST HAVE APPARENTLY BEEN APPROVED, WE WOULD  
APPRECIATE AN INDICATION OF WHETHER THESE WERE  
DELIBERATELY CULLED FROM THE OVERALL LIST AND,  
IF SO, WHY SOME ITEMS APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN APPROVED  
AND SOME NOT. IT SEEMS TO US THAT THE ITEMS  
ALREADY APPROVED DO NOT FALL INTO ANY  
DIFFERENT CATEGORY THAN THOSE NOT YET APPROVED.  
IF THIS IS INDEED THE CASE, WE RECOMMEND THAT  
ANOTHER LOOK BE TAKEN AT APPROVING THE REMAINING  
ITEMS ASAP. FOR EXAMPLE, IT HARDLY MAKES GOOD  
SENSE TO APPROVE A NAVIGATIONAL SYSTEM AND REFUSE  
THE COMPASS.

6. IN ANSWER MCKELLAR'S COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM, WE  
PROPOSE INFORM LOCAL COLLINS' REP THAT WE  
HAVE BEEN AGAIN SUBMITTED MATTER TO DEPT WITH  
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION.  
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